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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

A Therapeutic Bed	<div>RECEIVED JUL 29 2002</div>
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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In the specification, on page 1, line 3, between the title of the invention "A Therapeutic Bed" and the "Background of the Invention" please insert the following section heading and paragraph:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

B1
This application claims priority to ~~and is a continuation-in-part of~~
PCT/IE96/00087 filed Dec. 17, 1996, which entered the United States national stage on
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*In the specification, on page 3, line 22, before the paragraph starting "The invention,"
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